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## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### POSTAL EMPLOYEES.

#### ALLEGATION OF SWEATING.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

Durban, Sept. 20, 7.45 a.m.  
Mr. Herbert Samuel, the Postmaster General, has received a deputation representing 70,000 postal employees.

He denied that sweating had increased and pointed out that Civil Servants are different from outside workers.

If a postal strike occurred the country would demand that measures should be taken to render its recurrence impossible.

### JOCKEY CLUB STAKES.

#### STEDFAST WINS.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

Bombay, Sept. 29, 12.30 a.m.

The result of the Jockey Club Stakes was as follows:—

Stedfast (F. Wootton) 1.  
Lemberg (O'Neill) 2.  
Hair Trigger II (Rickaby) 3.  
Five started. Stedfast beat Lemberg by four lengths, and Hair Trigger II was three lengths behind Lemberg.

The betting at the start was 2 to 1 on Stedfast, 9 to 2 against Lemberg, 10 to 1 against Hair Trigger II.

### JOHNSON-WELLS FIGHT.

#### CHANGE OF VENUE.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

Durban, Sept. 29, 7.45 a.m.

The "Sporting Life" states that Wells has agreed to box Johnson in Paris on Oct. 14.

Johnson announces that he will retire from the Ring at the completion of his present engagements.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### ITALY AND TURKEY.

#### SITUATION GROWING SERIOUS.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

Durban, Sept. 28, 9.30 p.m.  
Reuter's correspondent at Milan states that large bodies of troops are stationed at Rome, Florence, Milan and other cities to check the attempts of Socialists and Anarchists to provoke anti-militarist disorders.

#### RIOTING AT MILAN.

There has been some rioting at Milan where hundreds were arrested.

#### ENTHUSIASM IN ITALY.

The majority of the population acclaim the expedition to Tripoli, but at some stations the crowds laid rails to prevent trains carrying reservists from passing.

Cavalry cleared the line while the reservists cheered for an Italian Tripoli.

#### A DELICATE POINT.

The "Daily Telegraph" states that the question of the passage of Turkish convoys bound for Tripoli, via Egypt, was being earnestly considered by the British Government, as the Porte is hourly expected to raise the question.

#### TURKISH PREPARATIONS.

Bombay, Sept. 28, 2.55 p.m.

The Turkish transport Derna has landed at Tripoli 100 soldiers and a quantity of munitions. The transport entered the harbour in view of the Italian fleet. The Italian newspaper "Stampa" declares that the landing of the troops by the Derna is a *cassus belli*.

Reuter's correspondent at Salouika states that all Italian merchant vessels in Ottoman waters have been recalled.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### ITALY AND TURKEY.

#### NEGOTIATIONS PROCEEDING.

The Turco-Italian negotiations are still proceeding. It is believed that Germany, though acting informally, is striving her utmost to bring about a pacific solution.

Despite the alarmist reports of the imminence of an Italian landing in Tripoli and Turkey's determination to fight in defence of her territorial integrity, there is a more hopeful feeling to-day that a settlement will be reached.

#### POWERS NEUTRAL.

Durban, Sept. 28, 4.25 p.m.

The replies of the Powers expressing inability to interfere in connection with the difficulty between Italy and Turkey has caused the bitterest disappointment to the Porte.

#### EXODUS FROM TRIPOLI.

Durban, Sept. 28, 12.30 a.m.

The Italians resident in Tripoli have almost all embarked except the officials.

The Italian Consulate has placed two large steamers at the disposal of Europeans of any nationality.

#### CORRUPT OFFICIALS.

Cabinet's Instructions.

[THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.]  
Canton, Sept. 28.

The Cabinet has telegraphed to the Canton Viceroy that in future His Excellency should deem it his duty to find out dishonest and corrupt officials to impeach them and frame particulars of the charges against them, pending the Throne's sanction to their dismissal or degradation. The Viceroy should, besides, mete out heavy punishments and force them to give up the amounts received in bribes. On receipt of the telegram, the Viceroy instructed the Provincial Treasurer to inform the local authorities of same.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### THE NAVAL DISASTER.

#### DOUBTFUL AMMUNITION.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

Bombay, Sept. 28, 2.55 p.m.  
Reuter's correspondent at Paris reports that the Admiralty has ordered the removal from all warships of explosives shipped prior to 1902.

#### THE MOTOR-BUS ACCIDENT.

##### A GALLANT PRIEST.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

Durban, Sept. 28, 9.45 a.m.

The Paris correspondent of Reuter's Agency reports that eleven persons were killed and nine injured in a motor-bus accident in Paris.

A priest rescued six fellow passengers by diving.

#### CLUES.

We are gradually becoming afraid to do anything in public. Whatever we do we seem to see Mr. Sherlock Holmes eyeing us keenly and saying, "Obviously a bad lot; see how he carries his walking-stick; do you follow me, Watson?" In the old days, if one could contrive to exclude from one's face the brutal look of the born criminal, and from one's walk the furtive air of the innate sneak-thief, one fancied that one was all right. But now everything appears to be a clue to character. Boy Scouts, we understand, when not engaged in flinging the squalor, can detect character from the 'boot-sole, and we once read an article in a monthly magazine showing that the expert can spot his man by the way he holds his hands. Now, in a weekly paper published in Chicago, we read that the manner in which a man holds his cigar is a sure key to his character. Photographic examples are given.

Number five, we observe, that is to say, he who holds his cigar "delicately, between first finger and thumb," is "a thinker who never leaps until he looks carefully"—a useful man to have about you when there are banana skins around. Number twelve denotes a man who is "economical, but perhaps from sheer necessity." It represents a hand holding a cigar-stamp impaled on the blade of a knife. There is no safety from the modern sleuth. The only thing to do is to go about the streets in a complete 'diver's outfit.' "The Globe."

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### CANADIAN POLITICS.

#### GREAT CONSERVATIVE DEMONSTRATION.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

Durban, Sept. 28, 9.45 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states that Mr. R. L. Borden, the leader of the Conservative party, has been welcomed in Ottawa by the most imposing political demonstration known in the Dominion.

There was a torchlight procession two miles long.

Mr. Borden made a speech and said the demonstration marked not a political triumph, but the assertion of Canada's determination to adhere to the British connection for all time.

The "Evening Journal" states

that the Navy question will be settled by referendum.

#### LARGE OPIUM SEIZURE.

The "Manila Times" of Sept. 23 reports:—Forty-eight hours' vigilance on the part of the members of the Customs secret service was rewarded last night by one of the largest hauls of the season from the steamer Kumerio, in the shape of 700 tins of opium, fifteen packages of morphine, and 192 bottles of cocaine, with a total value of more than P.100,000.

From the moment the vessel arrived in port on Wednesday night, the boat was constantly watched for the purpose of capturing the contraband stuff, which was known to have been placed on board from information previously received from Hongkong. Precautions were taken during the night while the vessel lay out in the stream awaiting boarding by the port officers in the morning. All night long a patrol of launches hovered about the vessel awaiting the discharge of the opium.

When the vessel docked a thorough search was made with no results, but, positive of the presence of the dope on the boat, the Customs men made search last night extending even to the water tanks, which were emptied, disclosing the contraband goods in the bottom of the salt water tank under the store room in the bow of the boat.

Three arrests were made among the members of the Chinese crew, who are thought to be concerned.

## CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

### THE SZECHUAN OUTBREAK.

#### A TIMELY WARNING.

[SHUNG PO "SERVICE"]

Peking, Sept. 28.

The Cabinet has telegraphed to the Viceroy of Szechuan warning His Excellency against exciting innocent parties without giving them a fair trial, as such action may deprive the authorities of the confidence of the people.

#### SUGGESTION BY SHUM.

[SHUNG PO "SERVICE"]

Peking, Sept. 28.

H.E. Shum Chun Huan, Commissioner for the suppression of the trouble in Szechuan in a telegram to the Cabinet, stated that the confidence of the people might be regained by refunding the investments of the people in the railways.

In reply, the Cabinet stated that His Excellency's proposal was opposed by the Ministry of Communications.

#### TRANQUILLITY AT CHENG TU.

[SHUNG PO "SERVICE"]

Peking, Sept. 28.

The Cabinet is in receipt of a telegram despatched from Chenchow in Szechuan reporting that tranquillity had been restored at Chenchow, excepting isolated cases of looting.

#### FURTHER RIOTING.

[SHUNG PO "SERVICE"]

Peking, Sept. 28.

Renewed trouble in Szechuan is reported. Riots have already occurred in Suntsin district. The Magistrate's yamen has been burnt down, and the Viceroy has despatched troops to suppress the tumult. However, the Imperialists were repulsed by the rebels and sustained heavy losses.

## CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

### THE SZECHUAN OUTBREAK.

#### SZECHUAN PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY.

[SHUNG PO "SERVICE"]

Peking, Sept. 28.

The members of the Szechuan Provincial Assembly have tendered their resignation en bloc. The National Assembly in Peking has telegraphed to the Viceroy of Szechuan requesting their re-election.

#### FREE HAND FOR SHUM.

[SHUNG PO "SERVICE"]

Peking, Sept. 28.

The Cabinet has telegraphed to H.E. Shum Chun Huan that on his arrival at Szechuan he will be at liberty to adopt whatever measures he may deem fit in settling the railway affairs, excepting that he must not interfere with the Government's scheme for the nationalization of the railways.

#### OFFICIAL CORRUPTION.

##### THEFT AND FORGERY.

[SHUNG PO "SERVICE"]

Peking, September 28.

An official, attached to the Ministry of Civil Appointments has secretly stolen several forms of letters of appointments and enabled many disqualified officials to fill vacancies by means of forging the necessary entries. His crime was discovered and he has absconded. Several officials in that Ministry are alleged to be involved. The Cabinet has reported to the Throne the official's delinquency and an Imperial Edict has been issued authorising the Cabinet Ministers to institute an enquiry into the case.

#### Weather Forecast.





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## China Mail.

To Cope with Strikes.

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 of Capital or Labour, the fact has  
 to be faced that the working man  
 has learnt from the pain of the  
 public and the extreme measures  
 adopted by the Government how  
 formidable a weapon he wields  
 when he makes the general com-  
 munity hostages for his grievances  
 against his employer, and, as a  
 Home paper points out, he will  
 not forget the lesson, nor is he  
 likely to let the weapon rust.  
 Hence the discussions which  
 have been provoked on the  
 question of grappling with the  
 problem should it again present  
 itself in the future. Thanks to  
 the patriotic attitude of many  
 Englishmen, the movement for  
 enrolling men to serve as emer-  
 gency constables is gaining  
 steadily, while the transport  
 difficulties are at any rate partially  
 solved by the offer of the Motor  
 Union to aid the Government in  
 cases of need by placing thousands  
 of motor-cars at the disposal of the  
 State. But all these are merely  
 palliative and temporary remedies  
 and at best could only operate for  
 a few weeks.

## Daily Press.

Trades Unions' Ownership.

The insurance scheme too, this  
 writer says, is everywhere regard-  
 ed with grave misgiving. "The  
 working men are beginning to  
 feel that the hasty projects of Mr.  
 Lloyd George have all the qualities  
 of a boomerang." But the gravest  
 feature in the situation is the  
 frank advocacy of revolutionary  
 methods by the Dictators, Tom  
 Mann and Ben Tillett, who as  
 recent events have shown, have  
 succeeded in introducing into  
 England the syndicalist methods  
 advocated on the continent, and  
 who by voice and by pen, are con-  
 stantly preaching Socialism as  
 the ideal of the workers, not the  
 State ownership of the means of  
 production and exchange, but  
 ownership by the Trades Unions.  
 Mr. Ellis Barker in his article in  
 the "Nineteenth Century" sup-  
 plies much illuminating informa-  
 tion on this aspect of the question,  
 and when we consider what has  
 happened and the developments  
 now in progress in the labour  
 world, few will be found to dis-  
 agree with his conclusion that  
 what we have to prepare for is  
 revolution. The movement, as  
 we all know, is not confined to  
 Great Britain, but it is probably  
 there that it will have its earliest  
 development.

## South China Morning Post.

Civil Service Salaries.

To be a Civil Service man is to  
 have grievances. Some of them  
 may be imaginary, others much  
 exaggerated; but their existence  
 is unquestionable. And no Gov-  
 ernment employees have so persist-  
 ently paraded their grievances as  
 those whose lot is cast in the  
 Peninsula. Their representations  
 induced the Earl of Cromer to  
 despatch a Commissioner, Mr.  
 R. E. Stubbs, of the Colonial  
 Office, across the seas to pursue  
 careful investigation. Mr. Stubbs  
 has now presented his report,  
 which deals in detail with various  
 aspects of the salaries, question,  
 and contains recommendations as  
 to the fixing of what the Commis-  
 sioner considers to be an equi-  
 table scale. In the first place,  
 Mr. Stubbs draws attention to the  
 fact that life in the East is a very  
 different thing to life at home.  
 The white man out here is com-  
 pelled, willy nilly, to lead a much  
 more luxurious existence than in  
 England. He has to maintain a  
 social position, which is as costly  
 as proceeding as it is obnoxious to  
 some of the "victims," but they  
 have practically no choice in the  
 matter.



## UP TRAINS.

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## POSTAL POSSIBILITIES.

It is often remarked that the wonders that are beneath our eyes every day are unnoticed. The Post Office, to this generation, is as much an institution as the movements of the solar system which light our day and vouchsafe our night. Occasionally we grumble at it, even at our local Post Office, when some happening reminds us that it is, after all, a human undertaking, subject to the little dislocations and difficulties that affect everything that is not regulated by the inevitable operation of natural law. But it is seldom that we pause to consider what a wonderfully large part in the daily life of most of us the Post Office plays. Its good offices, as we have already suggested, are unconsidered because we are accustomed to them, and it would only be a prolonged breakdown of the delicate machinery which would bring home to us the remoteness and the isolation that it enables us to forget. When the newspapers announce the delivery of a letter that has an address that calls for the genius of the solver of an Egyptian hieroglyph to understand, or when figures are quoted to show what a stupendous amount of matter is handled by postal officials, the world vouchsafes a moment or two to wonder and admiration. That is about the extent of the appreciation that is generally given to this institution which is of such immense practical and sentimental value.

While we do not think that it is right that any service should be disregarded and unappreciated because it is habitually rendered, we do not ignore the fact that the Post Office—speaking generally and not with any particular local reference—is, perhaps, the most conservative of all Government departments. The approximation of perfection that has been arrived at to-day has been secured largely through the labours of non-official postal reformers and the reforms they advocated have, generally speaking, met with either open opposition or passive resistance from the officials. This, by the way, is not peculiar to the Postal Department, nor is it a phenomenon exclusively confined to the Mother Country. The late member for Canterbury, Mr. Henniker Heaton, did more, probably, for the cause of postal reform than all the Postmasters General who have ever held office in the United Kingdom. Conservatism is an extremely valuable quality, but it may be carried to an extreme, and it is particularly desirable that a department that is so closely bound up with commercial life should keep abreast, if not ahead, of the times.

Some will think that more use could be made of the Post Office as an instrument of Imperialism. We know that the hand of every philatelist will be turned against us when we make the suggestion, but does it not seem that the time has come for the inauguration of one Imperial stamp for every part of the British dominions? Except from a sentimental point of view what purpose is served in having different stamps for each separate part of King George's widely separated dominions? If local sentiment is held to be of importance some method of surcharge might be permitted. The pertinent question may be asked, what would be the advantages in inaugurating such a system? The most important is the extension of Imperial sentiment. In every sense a postage stamp is a little thing, but it is the little things that make up life and a truly Imperial stamp, the design combining the idea of Kingship, which is our fundamental bond, and of Empire, which is our destiny, would probably do much to inspire the same Imperialism the inculcation of which is in every way desirable. In the second place such stamps would be useable, in any part of the Empire and as a matter of general convenience this would be appreciated. It may be that there are objections that are insuperable, but we think that the idea is worthy, at least, of consideration.

## DAY BY DAY.

Heaven from all creatures hides the book of fate. All but the page prescribed, their present state.

The French Mail of August 20 was delivered in London on September 28.

At the Manila General Hospital nearly 14,000 persons are treated monthly.

A Chinese was charged at the Police Court to-day with having in his possession a revolver and 50 rounds of ammunition without having a licence. He was committed, while the arms and ammunition were confiscated.

Messrs. Arnold, Karberg and Co. were summoned at the Magistrate's Court this morning for furnishing an incorrect quarterly return to the Captain Superintendent of the police, of arms and ammunition in stock.

Mr. Shenton, appearing on behalf of the defendants, pleaded guilty and a fine of \$40 was imposed.

Captain George S. Holmes, Philippine constabulary, has been appointed an additional aide-de-camp to the Governor General. He will remain on this duty during the time when the work is greatest in the Governor General's office, especially during the opening of the Philippine legislature in October.

While the fire brigade were practising this morning, near the Queen's Statue Pier, working from the float that was moored to the pier, some sparks from the funnel ignited the matched roofing just as the water was being turned off. However the brigade were able to get water quick enough to prevent the conflagration becoming serious. The matched shed was saved and suffered very little damage.

Katha Singh sued S. F. Tetzel in the Summary Court this morning to recover the sum of \$216 for money lent. Mr. F. A. d'Almada, the defendant appearing in person. Judgment was entered for the plaintiff and a stay of execution was granted with leave to apply. Defendant stated that he received a salary of \$30 a month, and the stay was granted in order to enable the plaintiff's solicitor to make inquiries.

## Langkats.

A telegram received from Shanghai this morning stated that the market for Langkats showed a great improvement and that there were strong buyers at 11s 80. It is reported that the prospects are more encouraging. The closing rate in Hongkong to-day was 11s 82 buyers.

## Tragedy at Kars.

On the evening of the 20th July (old style) a terrible accident took place in the Russian camp at Kars while the battery of the 20th artillery brigade was demonstrating to infantry sections the construction of the guns, and the method of loading and firing the same. An artillery officer was showing the 5th company of the 79th Regiment of Kurinsk infantry the projectiles and other accessories, and the privates were examining with interest the different parts of the guns. By way of example, a projectile was inserted in a gun when suddenly a deafening report rang out, and on the ground watered in a pool of blood a dozen or so men were seen to be either killed or disabled. The scene was a horrible one. Further investigation showed that on the ground lay three bodies, more correctly pieces of them, and as many as fifteen men wounded, on the way to the hospital one of the injured succumbed, and three are said to be in a hopeless condition. The remainder may recover. The artillery officer who was illustrating the use of the guns to the infantry privates was so overcome by the disaster that he tried to commit suicide. Strangely enough, the available accounts of the disaster do not mention its cause.

Mr. E. O. Baker, American Consul at Antung, transferred to Chungking, was in Shanghai with Mrs. Baker on Sept. 20.

Mr. Frank Smith, Commissioner of Customs at Soochow, and Mrs. Smith, left Shanghai for Foochow on Sept. 20.

A Chinese boy was charged at the Police Court, this morning, with having stolen a quantity of tinned provisions from the Mount Austin Barracks. He was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

Mr. G. O. Hanson, of the American-Chinese Interpreter class, has arrived in Shanghai, and joined the American Consulate.

The successor of M. Tejedor, Cuban Consul and Charge d'Affaires in China, has arrived in Shanghai. He is M. Polhamus, and will assume his official duties almost immediately.

Three ricksha coolies were fined three dollars each at the Police Court to-day for taking up an unauthorised stand in Spring Gardens.

The proprietor of the Yik Sang Hotel for emigrants was summoned for having in his house thirty-seven occupants in excess of the number allowed by his licence. Mr. Wood fined him \$25 or a month's hard labour.

It is reported that the condition of the wounds sustained by Mr. Komatsu, Vice-Minister of Communications, in his fight with a burglar, continues satisfactory. He was examined on Sept. 19 and pronounced quite out of danger. His assailant would appear to be still at large, as the papers contain no mention of the ruffian's arrest.

From Peking the "China Critic" learns of the engagement of Major Travers Clarke, in command of the detachment of the 27th R. I. F. at the British Legation, to Miss Jordan, the only daughter of H. E. Sir John N. and Lady Jordan, to all of whom solicitations are being offered on the news. As Major Clarke is shortly going to Aldershot as D. A. A. G. in that command, the marriage is arranged to take place some time next month, and will doubtless be a brilliant function.

## Typhoon Warning.

The following telegram was received by the American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory at 6.30 p.m. yesterday:—Typhoon 117 Dog, Long. E. 18 Deg. Lat. N. moving W.N.W.

## Rice in Japan.

The term during which the reduction in the duty on rice continues in force expires at the end of this month, says the "Japan Chronicle" of Sept. 21. An abundant harvest of rice is almost assured, and the rice market is steadily going down. In the opinion of the authorities there is no need of further encouraging the importation of foreign rice. In the event of foreign rice being still imported, the market of Japan rice may be forced down to an abnormally low rate, so that it is considered there is no need of extending the term of the reduced rice duty.

## The Maine.

A New York telegram, dated September 25, to the "China Press" states that the hull of the "Maine" has been completely exposed in Havana Harbour and that it has been definitely established that the warship was sunk by an explosion from outside.

## Hearst and War.

Mr. Hearst, the well-known American newspaper proprietor, has apparently changed his views regarding war, for in the course of an interview in London he stated that the world is speedily arriving at a condition where a demonstration of one nation in favour of war will be met by the united action of other nations to prevent the execution of such a foll purpose. War, he declares, is destruction; it interferes with and kills business, and is therefore out of date. It belongs to the barbarous past. If war is given during the next ten years, there will never be another war in the world.

## Kowloon Cricket Club.

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Cricket Club was held yesterday afternoon in the Club pavilion, Mr. W. Stewart, Vice-President, presiding. The annual report and statement of accounts were unanimously adopted. The question of the election of a President was allowed to stand over for the time being. The officials for the ensuing season were elected as follows:—Vice-president, Mr. P. D. Wolff; secretary, Mr. A. O. Brown; treasurer, Mr. C. J. Jeffreys; captain, Mr. J. H. Mead; vice-captain, Mr. W. L. Wenser; captain, second eleven, Mr. D. J. Mackenzie; committee, Messrs. Mackenzie, Curzon, Wenser, Neilson, Green, Blackburn, Sutton, and May. Votes of thanks for Messrs. T. Choo and J. H. Mead, former secretary and treasurer, respectively, brought the proceedings to a close.

## Watchman Charged with Manslaughter.

This afternoon before Mr. J. R. Wood the case was continued, in which Mun Din, an Indian watchman on the Tai On wharf, was charged with manslaughter. The allegation is that during a scrimmage between passengers wishing to board a boat and those wishing to leave the prisoner struck a Chinese who died of the effects of the blow. At the last hearing medical evidence was to the effect that the deceased died from hemorrhage following an enlargement of the spleen.

## The case is proceeding.

## Unclaimed Telegrams.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in the Great Northern Telegraph Company's Office at Hongkong:—Courbon (2), Divoto, Dwanke, Hironaka, Co., Hongkong, Hongkong, Jeohong, Kong, Man-of-war Haiyung, Kungtiucheng, Lack, Limon, Tornichi Tokunaga, 135 Victoria Street, 1616, 7079, 1785, 3458, 5466, 1565, 4410, 5973.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company's Office at Hongkong:—Bischoff, Astor House Pierzhelm, Killa care Hongkong Hotel, Rangoon, Hannon, Mrs. N. K. care American Embassy Cedarlake, Iche, Elgin St. Macao, Koway 8 Augusta San Francisco, Lam-hengkee, Hoilo, Lau H. Tuck, Cruiser Hai Yung Mamo, Perin, Carl, Hongkong Hotel, Manila, Pierce, Miss Mildred, Manila, Rosenthal Prod, Astor House Hotel Shanghai, Siokehoo Singapore, Takfong Senrang, Theyeek Singapore, Yohernke Singapore, Yusanluang Cholon, Yuenchong Manila.

## THE U.S. FLEET.

## Expected in October.

The United States Asiatic fleet consisting of the flagship U.S.S. Stetson and the cruiser New Orleans, are expected to arrive in Hongkong on October 3 and will probably remain until October 8. At Admiral Joseph B. Murdock is the commander-in-chief, U.S.S. Saratoga, Commander Joseph L. Jayne, U.S.S. New Orleans, Commander William G. Miller. The personal staff of the Admiral is as follows:—Commander Joseph L. Jayne, chief of staff; Lieut. Commander Henry E. Locke, aide, fleet engineer, Lieut. Sinclair Gannon, aide, flag secretary; Lieutenant David W. Bagley, aide flag lieutenant and fleet ordnance officer, Ensign Richard Hill, aide.

## ONE TALE IS GOOD UNTIL.

On the morning of the 28th inst. an Indian Police Sergeant found a Chinese wandering near the Polo Ground. Asked what he was doing there, the Chinese said that a box had been stolen by some men, and he was coming to report it to the police. The sergeant went with the man and recovered the box but was not satisfied with the account the fellow gave of himself. Asked to give his address he gave the number of a house which was afterwards found to be empty. He told the police this morning that he had a wife in Wanchai, and an officer was told off to verify this, but found that it was not true. The woman, he said, was his wife, was married to the prisoner's brother. He thereupon changed his tale and said that he was courting the woman. Mr. Hazland gave the man two months for being a vagabond and a vagabond.

## GOVERNMENT SERVANTS' WIVES.

## Sued by Money Lenders.

In the Summary Court this morning, Katha Singh sued Mok Yan Po to recover the sum of \$292 for money lent.

Defendant said he was a sergeant interpreter. Sergeant interpreters did not receive promotions even if they happened to be twenty or thirty years in Government service.

His Lordship—I have nothing to do with that.

Defendant—I have a wife, two children and a father to support. Mr. F. X. d'Almada (for the plaintiff)—His father has a ship, which is self-supporting.

His Lordship—How much does he get from the shop?

Defendant—Ten dollars.

His Lordship—Is not that enough to support him?

Defendant—No, sir, the cost of living is high.

An order was made for monthly instalments of \$5.

In the same Court, Hurnan Singh sued Ip Hop Pan and another for \$270. Mr. M. R. Harris appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. H. L. Denny, Jr., represented the defendants.

Mr. Denny stated that the second defendant was a sixth grade clerk in the Crown Solicitor's office and received a salary of \$25 a month.

Mr. Harris—There is no evidence to show that he gets \$25 only.

His Lordship—The Blue Book will easily prove that.

The defendant was called into the witness-box, and on being sworn said that his salary was \$25 a month. He had no private means.

His Lordship (To Mr. Harris)—There you are, he says so.

Mr. Harris—They usually get more besides their salary.

His Lordship—Then they ought to be in the Police Court (laughter).

Mr. Denny said that the second defendant did not actually get the money, but merely signed the promissory note as guarantor. He asked for an order for monthly instalments of \$1.

His Lordship—At any rate, I cannot do more than make an order for \$2 instalments.

Mr. Harris—I submit my client is entitled to at least \$20 a month.

Mr. Denny—In a case like this, the defendant should consider himself lucky to get \$2 a month.

His Lordship—I will increase it to \$3 a month.

Mr. Harris—That will take eight years.

His Lordship—I can't help it.

## A CHEMIST'S CLAIM.

## Ship's Officers Sued.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Acting Chief Justice, in the Court of Summary Jurisdiction this morning, Watkins, Limited, filed a suit against a ship's officer to recover the sum of \$26.20. Mr. Crowther Smith appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. R. A. Harding was for the defendant.

Mr. Harding—The defendant is an officer on board a steamer and can't come into Court, as the typhoon signal is up.

Mr. Smith—It's a ship which comes only once in six months or twelve months.

His Lordship—Is it a telegraph ship?

Mr. Smith—No.

His Lordship—Is it a long case?

Mr. Harding—No. The steamer leaves to-day.

Mr. Smith—What! Then the case must be taken to-day.

His Lordship—The man must stand by his ship. If he can't get away from the ship, he can't communicate. When will the ship return?

Mr. Smith—Not before six months at least. These ships come only once in six months.

The case was adjourned for a few minutes, after which Mr. Harding informed the Court that he had telephoned to the shipping officer concerned and was told that the ship would not leave before Tuesday or Wednesday next on account of the typhoon.

The hearing was fixed for Monday morning at 10 a.m. when another action against another officer on the same boat, by the same plaintiff for \$40.05 will also be taken.

## DOG BITES AN AMAH.

## Police Court Sequel.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Mr. Harling, living at 38 Morrison Hill Road, was summoned by Honor Dos Remedios for behaving in a disorderly manner with intent to provoke a breach of the peace on Saturday, Sept. 16th.

Mr. d'Almada appeared for the complainant, but the defendant was unrepresented.

The complainant said that on the day in question at about 11 a.m. the defendant came to his house armed with a revolver and looking as though he was going to kill somebody.

Mr. Wood to defendant:—Did you, Harling, or did you not? Did you go into this man's house?—Yes, into the kitchen.

With a revolver?—Yes.

Why?—Because their dog bit my amah's leg. After my wife had dressed the amah's leg, she went to the house and asked them what they meant by it. They slammed the door in her face and told her to go to the police. The next day I went there and took a revolver with me in case the dog tried to bite me.

Mr. d'Almada:—As this admission of the defendant is sufficient to constitute an offence I would ask your worship to deal with the case as you think fit.

Mr. Wood:—Has there been any trouble before?

Mr. d'Almada:—Yes, the previous day. The defendant's wife went to the house to complain about the dog biting the amah and called the complainant's mother all sorts of names.

Mr. Wood to defendant:—How long have you lived at 38 Morrison Hill Road?—About four and a half years.

And have you had any trouble before?—Never a word before.

I cannot have you going into a neighbour's house with a revolver. I did not make a display with it.

The defendant was fined five dollars and bound over in his own recognisances, in the sum of \$50, to keep the peace for six months.

Defendant:—You have not heard all.

Mr. Wood:—I have heard all that I want to hear. You must not go into people's houses with a revolver.

## COMPANY REPORT.

## Canton Insurance Co., Ltd.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders of the Canton Insurance Co., Ltd., at the Thirtieth Ordinary Meeting, to be held at the offices of the Company, on Thursday, October 19, at noon:—

The General Agents and Consulting Committee beg to submit to the shareholders the final accounts for the year 1910:—

1910 Account.—The amount standing to the credit of this Account is \$479,635.08. It is proposed to deal with this in the following manner:—

To pay a Dividend of \$15.00 per share, \$100,000.00

To appropriate for the formation of an Investment Fluctuation Account... 18,400.00

To carry to the Credit of Underwriting Suspense Account... 301,235.08

\$479,635.08

Consulting Committee.—Since the last Meeting we have to note with regret the death of Sir H. N. Mody. Messrs. G. W. Barton and W. Logan have resigned. The vacancies thus caused have been filled by the appointment of Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. H. P. White and E. Shalim.

In accordance with the terms of the Articles of Association all the Members retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Mr. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., being absent from the Colony the Consulting Committee filled the vacancy by appointing Mr. Alex. A. Fyfe, C.A.

This appointment requires the confirmation of the Shareholders.

Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., offer themselves for election to hold office until the next Ordinary Meeting.

Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., General Agents.



## ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

New Recreation Ground  
Nearing Completion.

To those who can recall the old St. Xavier's School, founded by the late Bishop Raimondi, at Pottinger Street, then changed to St. Joseph's College housed in "Boxoy Lodge," Guine Road, and subsequently moved to its temporary hatched habitat in the grounds of "Glencaly," the big pile of buildings on Robinson Road to-day stands as a veritable monument to the educational enterprise of the Catholic Mission authorities in Hongkong. Were the school fees such as to make admission to the school possible only to the children of the better-off class of residents, it is understandable that the growth of the College might have been fostered with extraneous assistance. But when one bears in mind that the fundamental principle of the schools founded by St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle, and conducted by the Brothers of the Christian Schools, is to place the advantage and benefits of education within the reach of the children of the poor—and even of those who cannot afford the monthly fees—the remarkable prosperity to which St. Joseph's College has attained, is all the more creditable to those who have contributed to place it in the forefront of educational institutions in Hongkong at the present time.

This appreciation is all the more genuine in that it emanates from one who is privileged to claim the College as his "Alma Mater" and who, through a long course of years, has watched, with a sense of justifiable pride, the raising of the College roof from block to block, until it attains to-day the prominence it now presents to all visitors to our island home, who set their eyes upon that massive pile of structure that is readily recognisable as St. Joseph's English College against the dark background of verdant hills, and which certainly does credit to the Colony's numerous architectural embellishments.

The foregoing reflections have been prompted as the result of a recent visit, one of several that are occasionally made to renew old memories and to forge new links in the chain of connections that weld together the old school with the new.

So highly is the instruction imparted by the staff appreciated, that, despite the addition of a new class room completed eight months ago, the need for more room is again pressing felt. Were it possible to build another three or four class rooms, the Brothers can forthwith fill the forms with students desirous of gaining admission into the school. As for the boarding department, it has already been taxed to the limit of its accommodation; recent applicants for admission having had to be refused.

It will be recalled that on the occasion of the last annual Prize-giving, Sir Frederick Lugard—than whom the Colony has known of no more enthusiastic educationist—made sympathetic allusion to the playground which the Director contemplated laying out for the school. At the time the project was only in embryo; but we are glad to notice that in the course of the year, the scheme has almost practically materialized.

Before the next public Prize distribution in December, visitors will be agreeably surprised at the transformation the northern slope of the ground has undergone. The surfaced pavement, the fish pond, the fallow land on the northern boundary, have all been reclaimed, and relaid into two splendid terraces. The retaining walls, that in the very solidity of their construction look like the battlements of some ancient fortress, have been carried to the farthest end of the ground which they enclose, on the north, and the east and west.

Through the courtesy of Brother Christian, the Director, the writer was taken over and shown the works. As already stated, they comprise the levelling of the ground at the back of the row of houses owned and occupied by some of Hongkong's Chinese financial giants, right up to the

semi-circular stairway at the entrance to the main College building. Owing to the steep gradient, the whole work had to be divided into two sections. The first provides a plot of land stretching from end to end of the existing buildings, and is 148 feet long by 35 feet wide. This level is 10 feet high from the more extensive ground below. The wall has been built perpendicular and built the made ground which it supports. So as to make the most of every inch of ground, the old ornamental turf slope has had to give way to utility. A permanent Tennis Court will be laid out in the centre in front of the northern facade on this terrace. The court will be asphalted. A green-tinted surface will be given to the Tennis Court if it is possible; otherwise the colour will be of dark hue, so as not to be too trying to the eyes of the scholars in the class rooms above.

Access is gained to the lower and larger ground by means of a flight of steps with easy gradient, near "Roxhill" wall on the western boundary. The roadway has been so planned in order that the Tennis Court may be utilised to the full width of the ground. The larger section of the work is of considerably greater area, rectangular in shape, it measures 148 feet from East to West, and 104 feet from North to South; the superficial area is thus one of 15,392 square feet. The entire surface will be turfed, and it will be utilised for a football ground. Iron stanchions 15 feet high, and embedded in cement on the granite coping, will support the wire netting so as to keep the ball from shooting out of the ground. At the N.E. corner of this extensive plot of ground will be erected a steel flagstaff 35 feet in height, from which the College colours will float to the breeze on sunny and gala days. It is gratifying to note the flagstaff is the gift of an ex-pupil who has since succeeded extremely well in a professional career in Hongkong, and whose family of sturdy-growing boys take their seats at the College forms much in the same way as their "pater" did in his earlier years.

The spiral steps leading down to the Catholic Cathedral Compound will be replaced by a well laid-out flight of dressed granite steps.

Simultaneously with the laying out of the site for the College playground, His Lordship Bishop Poyzont has very thoughtfully entrusted the firm of engineers with the work of improving the approaches to the College from the Cathedral, at the same time as a "short cut" will be made to the church from Robinson Road. A well-graded roadway has been constructed 8 feet in width up to the entrance below the class room allocated to the 4th Class boys. Branching out of the road midway up the hill, a winding concrete-surfaced path 5 feet wide leads pedestrians up to Robinson Road westward of the entrance to "Fairview," the residence of Dr. K. Just. As it is not desired that the congregation should be disturbed during the hours of Divine Service, the road to Robinson Road has been planned for pedestrian traffic only, and there will be no thoroughfare for chair coolies. The shorter road to the College will admit of use by chairs on wet weekdays for the convenience of scholars living in the lower levels who may then get in, and out of the school without being exposed to the drenching summer showers.

The combined cost of the works is estimated at some \$11,500, that for the playground alone accounts for \$7,800. Already past and present pupils have evinced practical sympathetic interest in the improvement by their contributions. The individual subscriptions are, true enough, not large. This is not surprising when the financial ability of the boys is considered, having regard to the fact that, generally speaking, none are too well off from the point of view of dollars and cents. But the very nature of the undertaking should commend itself to public support when the time arrives for contributory donations to be solicited. The works, which were commenced in the middle of March last, were retarded through the exceptionally heavy rains in August, and will be completed about the middle of October.

The first-class firm of Messrs. Leigh & Orange are the engineers employed in planning and supervising the works. The inauguration of the football and tennis grounds may now be expected to synchronize with the opening of the football season next month. If the school authorities are not above taking a suggestion, it may be hinted that the opening ceremony should partake of the character of a public function, to which former pupils and friends of the Institution might be invited.

St. Joseph's College has been as singularly successful in the field of sports as in that of study. "Mens sana in corpore sano" has been a motto so frequently inculcated in the minds of the students, that they have taken the trite saying well to heart. St. Joseph's College Football Club won the Inter-school Football Shield which it holds for the present year. The magnificent trophy can be seen in the College parlour. Sir Frederick Lugard's Cup was won by the School's Second team on the first occasion it was put up for competition.

J. P. BEEGA.

## CHINESE POPULAR SOCIETIES.

## Official Precautions.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.)

Canton, Sept. 28.

The Ministry of the Interior has written to the Canton Viceroy regarding the restrictions on the formation of societies or associations by the people. According to these restrictions, the promoters of any society or association will be required to furnish the local authorities with the regulations governing the society before its formation and also state its object. The authorities will then submit same to the Ministry of the Interior through the Viceroy. Unless these regulations are approved of by the Ministry, the formation of the society will be forbidden.

## CRICKET.

## HONGKONG LEAGUE.

## The Season's Entrants.

The following Clubs have entered for the League Competition, 1911-12:

Royal Engineers.  
Royal Garrison Artillery.  
Crusagewer.  
Kowloon.  
Civil Service.  
K.O.Y.L.  
H. K. Police.  
R. N. Yard Recreation Club.  
Kowloon v. Civil Service.  
This match will be played at Happy Valley. The Civil Service team will be as follows:—  
R. G. Hutcheson (Captain), H. A. Cox, J. McEwen, R. R. Phillips, H. Tiplan, H. T. Jackson, W. Edmonds, L. E. Brett, A. R. Sutherland, R. G. Witchell and R. Barlow.

Kowloon "A" v. Civil Service "A."

This match will take place at Kowloon. The Civil Service team will be as follows:—E. W. Dawson (Captain), H. Ellis, B. Cox, S. Kelly, W. Gibson, J. Spittles, F. Bacon, P. T. Lambie, R. Phillips, A. Storrie, and E. Clarke.

## LAWN BOWLS.

## Police Secure the Cup.

The Lawn Bowls League competition for the season has now been completed and the Police, winning the cup for the third successive time, become absolute owners. The positions of the various teams are as follows:—

Matches W. L. D. Pt.  
Police ..... 6 4 1 7  
Civil Service... 6 3 2 7  
Kowloon ..... 6 2 4 4  
Taikoo ..... 6 2 4 4

## Open Championship.

The final in the open championship between G. R. Edwards and U. J. McDonald will take place at Kowloon Bowling Green on Saturday, October 7, when the President of the League (Mr. F. Howell) will be "at home" to members of bowling clubs and their lady friends. The match for third and fourth places between G. K. Haxton and A. Hamilton will be played at the same time. The prizes will be presented afterwards.

## FRENCH NAVAL REVIEW.

## A Magnificent Sight.

In view of the recent disaster to the *Liberte* and the accident on the *Gloire* especial interest attaches to the great French naval review which took place at Toulon early in the month. The following telegram from Toulon, dated September 4, gives a good idea of the splendid spectacle that was witnessed:—

The magnificent review of the whole of the French naval forces, which took place here this morning and marked the beginning of the French naval manoeuvres, has been no doubt the greatest manifestation of French naval power under the Third Republic.

For many years the navy, in the hands of political coteries, was neglected shockingly, and fell into a critical condition. Then Parliament recognised the danger, and a programme was elaborated and enormous credit voted for building and re-organising the Navy. To this end M. Delcasse largely contributed.

The review of this morning was, in fact, a personal triumph for the ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs. It was he who denounced in Parliament the faults of the Comte. It was he who, as President of the Naval Commission, largely seconded the efforts of Admiral Houe de Lapeyrolle, Minister of Marine in the Briand Cabinet. On his appointment to power M. Delcasse set to work at once to carry out his great ambition to give the French navy the rank it ought to occupy in the world.

The patriotic manifestation to-day was also his work. It was his desire to show the world, before the review of the German Fleet by the Kaiser, that the French Navy was stronger than ever. The day, the Fourth of September, was the anniversary of the Third Republic. The Fleet was of 92 warships of the three new French squadrons—comprising 25 battleships (six of which are Dreadnoughts), 14 cruisers, 30 destroyers, 12 torpedo-boats, and ten submarines. The whole force represented over 408,000 tons, was commanded by 12 admirals, included 1,107 officers and 27,000 men, and mounted 1,340 guns.

## "No Bluff."

"These ships," said M. Delcasse to a group of journalists after the review, "these ships that you have seen are quite ready for war. They are full of ammunition, and can be mobilised at any moment. I do not want to bluff by holding this review; it is simply to show the country how its Navy stands."

This patriotic manifestation has been a triumph. It has attracted to Toulon an enormous influx of foreigners, and the towns of the littoral are all on feet. It is estimated that over 1,200,000 people witnessed the review from the shore.

The President of the Republic arrived here at 7 o'clock this morning, and embarked with his suite on the battleship *Massena*. This vessel was followed by the *Pothuau* (which in 1897 took President Felix Faure to Cronstadt), and was escorted by four cruisers.

The great fleet was lined up in two long rows, distant about 1,200 yards apart. Vice-Admiral Jaureguiberry, who is chief in command of the French naval forces, was in the battleship *Jules Ferry*.

## A Magnificent Sight.

The whole fleet fired a salute of 21 guns as the *Massena* and her escort passed the first squadron—the new Dreadnoughts. These were the *Voltaire*, *Condorcet*, *Diderot*, *Danton*, *Mirabeau*, and *Suffren*, under the command of Admiral Bone de Lapoyrolle, ex-Minister of Marine. Then came the second squadron—the *Patrie*, *Republique*, *Democratie*, *Justice*, *Liberte*, and *Verite*, commanded by Vice-Admiral Bellue. The third squadron was composed of the *St. Louis*, *Gaulois*, *Charlemagne*, *Charles Martel*, *Jaureguiberry*, *Carnot*, and *Bouvet*; and then came the squadron of cruisers, torpedo-boats and submarines. Bands on board every-where played the "Marseillaise," and the sailors cheered from every deck.

After the review was over the *Massena* and her escort turned and took up a position near the entrance to the roadsteads. Then there was a grand sight; the entire fleet defiled magnificently in single column before the President's ship. Subsequently M. Fallieres received the admirals and congratulated them, and M. Delcasse gave a lunch to 250 guests at the Arsenal in honour of the President.

Just before the review there was a narrow escape from disaster in the roadsteads. While the warships were preparing for the great ceremony a steamer carrying a crowd of passengers passed by at full speed, and dashed against the *Brennus*.

The captain of the warship saw the danger, and by a clever manoeuvre turned the battleship so that the full force of the blow was spared. However, the shock was sharp, and resulted in a hole being knocked in the steamer's side. She was able to be run ashore before she filled, and the passengers were rescued.

## RIOT IN TAMSUI.

## Stern Measures.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.)

Canton, Sept. 28.

With reference to the riot in Tamsui, of Wei-chow prefecture, in opposition to the taxes, H. E. the Canton Viceroy has, in view of repeated outbreaks of this kind, deemed it expedient to severely punish the ringleaders as an example to others. Regarding the riot in Tamsui it originated by the arrest of a street lecturer. Advantage was taken of this incident by malefactors, who attacked the local authorities' yamen and demolished the taxation bureau. In the opinion of the Viceroy, trouble of this kind is intolerable. Moreover, the trouble in Szechuan is not quite over and it may excite the ill-feelings of the Cantonese and cause disorders. H. E. the Viceroy has accordingly telegraphed to H. E. Chun Ping Chieh, Commander-in-Chief of the forces in Wei-chow, to have the ringleaders arrested and punished, and to disperse their followers.

## The Manila Carnival.

The Director-General of the Manila Carnival Association, Mr. Cotterman, intends to make a big effort to secure an adequate representation of the navies of the world at the next Carnival. He is preparing an invitation to be extended to the Admirals of all the navies of the powers represented in Far Eastern waters, to bring their ships into Manila Bay during the Carnival period and will induce the consular representatives of those countries, resident in Manila, to back up his request. Mr. Cotterman will also try and get the U.S. Secretary of the Navy to have some of the big Pacific fleet sent out for Manila's annual celebration.

## DON'T FORGET.

Friday, Sept. 20.  
Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's annual general meeting, 5.30 p.m.  
Hongkong Cricket Club's annual meeting, 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 30.  
Hongkong Gymkhana Club, Race Meeting, Happy Valley.  
Hongkong Cricket Club Pro. menade Concert.

Monday, October 2.  
Opening ceremony, Canton-Kowloon Railway.

Saturday, October 7.  
Dairy Farm annual general meeting, 12.30 p.m.  
Hongkong Jockey Club meeting, noon.

Today's  
AdvertisementsKOWLOON-CANTON  
RAILWAY.

## NOTICE.

THE 11.30 A.M. train from Kowloon to Loma and the 1 P.M. train from Loma to Kowloon on MONDAY, 2nd October, are hereby cancelled.

By Order,  
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Kowloon, 29th Sept., 1911. [1410]

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All claims must be filed on or before FRIDAY, 18th Oct., otherwise they will not be recognised.

K. MATSUDA,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 29th Sept., 1911. [866]

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

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Hongkong, 29th Sept., 1911. [1389]

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Hongkong, 2nd Sept., 1911. [1307]

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SHANGHAI, SWATOW, KWONGSANG.....	.....	Tuesday, 3rd Oct., Noon
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.....	LAISANG	Thursday, 5th Oct., Noon
SHANGHAI.....	CHOYSANG	Friday, 6th Oct., Noon
MANILA.....	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 7th Oct., 2 p.m.

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"Slavonia".....3rd Nov.	S.S. "Furst Bismarck".....11th Oct.
"Scandia".....16th Nov.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:
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## COMMERCIAL.

## Rubber

The "L. & O. Express" of September 1 has the following:—

The market for Para has been quiet, but steady. Hard Fine on the spot and most positions forward, close sellers at 4s. 9d. (last year 8s. 1d.). Soft Fine, September-October and October-November deliveries quoted at 4s. 0.1-2d. value.

Plantations steady. August-September delivery sold at 5s. 7d., but closing sellers at 5s. 6d. October-December sold at 5s. 2d. to 5s. 0.3-4d. and value, January-March quoted 4s. 9d. value. The receipts at Para this month are 1,550 tons, against 1,870 tons last year.

It is expected that better prices for plantations will be seen as most of the commodity is reported to be going into the private warehouses of dealers and not into actual consumption. A better indication of an improving market, however, is to be noted in the forward sales which have just been arranged for delivery through 1912 by such well-known companies as London Asiatic, Anglo-Malay, United Serdang, and Selaba at 4s. 8d. and 4s. 0d. per lb., the last series being at the latter price.

At the sales held in Antwerp on 24th ultimo there was a good demand, particularly for plantation varieties, which realized over five per cent. more than at the preceding auctions. The Congolese rubber sold at rise of about 4 per cent.

The Amsterdam sales fetched good prices, and the market continues firm.

The Brazilian crop movement seems to be falling short of last year's returns. The Para receipts for August up to the 24th were only 1,315 tons, making the total since July 1 2,375 tons, against 4,200 tons for July and August 1st year. Now that manufacturers have still to depend mainly on wild rubber, in spite of the astonishing growth of plantations, the shrinkage of the output of the former will have considerable influence on values, which seems to be the probability.

London Share Market. The steadily increasing price of rubber, the belief that it is the result of genuine buying, the fixing up of forward contracts and the paucity of sellers have continued to give strength to the market. The inquiries are mainly for high-class "heavy" shares on behalf of genuine investors.

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## To Improve Suez Canal.

There is little doubt but that the nearing completion of the Panama Canal has given the Suez Canal Company a bit of a fright and brought home to them the necessity not only of improving the navigation of the great waterway they control but also of framing a more liberal tariff to retain the custom which has been so enormously profitable.

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THE FIFTH MEETING of the Season will be held at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, the 30th September, 1911, commencing at 3.30 P.M.

The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.

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REGINALD F. O. MASTER, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, Hongkong, 27th Sept., 1911. [1404]

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